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The attached PTO 1449 form lists prior art references identified in the International Search Report, copy of which is enclosed herewith.

U.S. Patent 5,673,318 issued to Bellare et al on 30 September 1997;

Japanese reference JP 06-315027 dated 08 November 1994;

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